Issue of demand letters to Co-operative Group Housing Societies in Delhi

749. SHRI RAM JETHMALANI:
DR. JINENDRA KUMAR JAIN:

Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that letters had been issued to the cooperative housing societies registered by Delhi Development Authority in the year 1983-84 asking them to deposit the required stipulated amount so that land could be allotted to them;

(b) if so, the number of such housing societies to whom demand letters had been issued and also the number of housing societies, who had deposited the required amount with Delhi Development Authority in response to the demand letter, alongwith details thereof;

(c) whether it is also a fact that Delhi High Court had passed an order on 10th May, 1991 directing the DDA to take an early decision for allotment of land to these societies;

(d) if so, what are the details of the judgement of; and

(e) what action has been taken by the D.D.A. so far as per the orders of the courts and what are the reasons for the slow pace of action?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) and (b) Allotment cum demand letters were issued to 227 societies in January, '91. The names of these societies and premium of land received from them are indicated as per Annexure.

[*See* Appendix CLX Annexure No. 30]

(c) and (d) The High Court to Delhi has passed an order on 15-5-91 directing, *interalia,* the preparation of a fresh seniority list of societies based on date of registration for the allotment.

(e) The matter is being processed in the light of the High Court judgement.

Appointment of Chief Executives of the Institutes under ICAR

750. SHRI HARVENDRA SINGH HANSPAL: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Indian Council of Agricultural Research is topless for the last one year and as many as 20 institutes engaged in research work are also without Chief Executives;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether Government have since contemplated any steps to appoint the experienced and suitable persons for such research posts; and

(d) if so, by when?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI K. C. LENKA): (a) Sir, The chief executives of the Indian Council of Agricultural Research and 22 of its institutes/research centres|project directorates|laboratory are to be appointed on regular basis, as the present incumbents are holding charge on officiating basis in addition to their normal duties.

(b) The recruitment process is still to be completed.

(c) Yes.

(d) Regular incumbents will be appointed as and when the recruitment process is completed.

Functioning of Bharat Scouts and Guide in Railway

751. SHRI SYED SIBTEY RAZI: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that some organisation of Bharat Scouts and Guides has been functioning in the Railway Board's office in addition to R.P.F. and R.P.S.F.;

(b) if so, the date of its establishment and functions;

(c) whether this organisation has proved useful service to the Railway Board;

(d) whether the members of organisation have been touring different places of country after an interval of 2 months;

(e) if so, the details of the tours made in chronological order with expenses in each tour since its establishment and achievements made during each tour;

(f) what are the sources of finance of organisation with age limitation for members of organisation;

(g) whether the members of organisation are allowed special casual leaves, free passes and payment of productivity linked bonus;

(h) whether any senior official of Railway Board has ever accompanied the members of organisation during the tour; and

(i) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons for wasting public funds on a organisation with no utility?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) and (b) Railway Board Bharat Scouts and Guides Association was set up in 1957-58 in Railway Board's office and is a district unit affiliated to the Northern Railway State Bharat Scouts & Guides. This Association is purely voluntary in nature while R.P.F. and R.P.S.F. are statutory bodies. The aims and functions of the Association are to contribute to the development of young people in achieving their full physical, intellectual, social and spiritual potentials as individuals and as responsible citizens.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) & (e) The members of the Association participate in events organised by District, State and National Headquarters of Bharat Scouts & Guides from time to time. No member of the Association goes on tour on Scouts account.

(f) The Association is given financial assistance from the Staff Benefit Fund. In the matter of enrolment of members, the Association is governed by the rules and regulations framed by the National Headquarters of Bharat Scouts & Guides.

(g) The members of the Association are granted special casual leave and special passes as per extant instructions. No bonus is paid to them as member of the Association.

(h) No, Sir.

(i) Does not arise.

Diversion of Rural Population from Agriculture to other fields

752. SHRI S. K. T. RAMACHANDRAN: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state whether Government propose to launch any major programme to divert the rural population engaged in agriculture to any other field of occupation to relieve the pressure on agriculture?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI MULLAPPALLY RAMACHANDRAN): Government intends, as a major policy objective to diversify the agricultural production system into auxilliary activities which, while assisting in improving income levels of the small land holders, will also create employment opportunities on a self-sustaining basis. Several special programmes for creation of employment opportunities, poverty amelioration and promotion of agro-processing and agro-industries in rural areas are under implementation.

Unauthorised Colonies in Delhi

753. SHRI KAMAL MORARKA: Will the Ministe of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) what are the names of the unauthorised colonies in Delhi which have been regularised by MCD during the last three years; and